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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: ARKANSAS

SECTION 1924 PROVISIONS

- A. Income and resource eligibility policies used to determine eligibility for institutionalized individuals who have spouses living in the community are consistent with Section 1924.
- B. In the determination of resource eligibility, the State resource standard is the minimum spousal resource standard established at Section 1924(f)(2)(A) of the Social Security Act.
- C. The definition of undue hardship for purposes of determining if institutionalized spouses receive Medicaid in spite of having excess countable resources is described below:

Undue hardship exists if each condition below is met:

- 1. counting uncompensated value would make an individual ineligible.
- 2. lack of assistance would deprive the individual of food and shelter.
- the individual's combined total of gross income and countable resources (no income disregards allowed) do not exceed the applicable federal benefit rate (LTC income limit); and
- 4. the resource(s) cannot be recovered from the individual(s) to whom the resource(s) was transferred without compensation due to loss, destruction, theft or other extraordinary circumstance.

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